Agency (ATRA) to deal with sick mills in other areas. Government are yet to take a final decision on the recommendations.

Sanskrit University at Sringeri

*50. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI SUSHILA TIRIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Sanskrit University named after Rajiv Gandhi at Sringeri; and

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the plan and by when it will be setup?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) A decision has been taken in principle to set up a Sanskrit University at Sringeri. Institutional structures will be initiated which would eviolve into a university over a period of time.

New Typhoid germs

*51. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to press reports in which it has been stated that some new typhoid germs have been found and patients suffering from typhoid caused by these germs are not curable by conventional antibiotics;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to set up a board of doctors and physicians to undertake research on a workable medicine for this type of typhoid; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Medical experts of the country have found that Solmonella Typhi Phage Type E-II is a strain of Typhoid germ which is resistant to conventional antibiotics, namely, Chloramphenicol. However, this strain is sensitive to Norfloxacin and Cipro-floxacin. The said strain has not been found recently; it is known to the medical community and is duly covered in the educational courses of the medical colleges. Thus, there is no need to set up a board of doctors and physicians to undertake research in the matter. The National Institute of Cholera and Entaric Diseases, Calcutta, has, however, carried out studies on the prevalence of multi-drug resistant enteric fever in hospitals and efficacy of furazalidone against it, which are relevant and would help us to tackle the problem more effectively.

Increase in the number of vehicles in the country

*52. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a tremendous increase in the number of motor vehicles in the country; and

(b) if so, what measures Government propose to adopt so as to reduce/eliminate pollution from motor vehicles both on short term and long term basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (INDEPENDENCE CHARGE) (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir. Vehicular population has increased in the following order:—

1980-81	5.00 million
1985-86	10.00 „
1988-89	16.7 „

(b) Steps taken by the Government to check emissions from motor vehicles include:

(1) Gross emission standards for all types of on-the-road vehicles have been notified under the Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, and these have come into force from March, 1, 1990.

(2) The Ministry of Surface Transport have advised the various state transport directorates to enforce the gross emission standards.

(3) Every manufacturer of motor vehicle is required to submit the prototype of the vehicle manufactured for test by an agency specified by the government, and give a certificate of conformity of production on the compliance of the provisions of the Rules including emission standards. This provision has come into effect from April 1, 1991.

(4) The mass emission standards for vehicles have been notified under the Motor Vehicles Rules 1989. The standards for petrol driven vehicles have come into force from April 1, 1991 and standards for diesel driven vehicles are to come into force from April 1, 1992.

(5) The Petroleum Industry has been asked to bring down the lead content in petrol to 0.15 gms/litre by 1993.

(6) The Indian Institute of Petroleum Dehradun, is preparing a report on a long term vehicular emission strategy in the country.

(7) The Central Pollution Control Board has constituted an expert committee in March, 1991 to evolve mass emission standards for vehicles (both petrol and diesel driven) for the period 1995 and 2000 and to identify, the nature of changes required in engine design, including any devices to be installed, to meet the proposed standards.

(8) The National Environmental Engineering Research Institute, Nagpur, is engaged in developing an indigenous catalytic convertor for controlling exhaust emissions for on the road vehicles.

(9) Public awareness compaign about vehicular pollution have been launched.

भारतीय व्यापार मेला प्राधिकरण द्वारा विदेशों में आयोजित व्यापार मेले

*53. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह :** क्या **वाणिज्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले छः महीनों के दौरान भारतीय व्यापार मेला प्राधिकरण ने विदेशों में कितने व्यापार मेले आयोजित किये हैं और कितने विदेशी मेलों में भारत ने भाग लिया है ;

(ख) इन मेलों पर किए गए खर्च और उन से हुई आय का ब्यौरा क्या-क्या है ; और

(ग) इस वर्ष के दौरान विदेशों में ऐसे कितने व्यापार मेलों के आयोजित किए जाने का विचार है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम) . (क) पिछले छः महीनों (जनवरी 91 से जून 91 तक) के दौरान ट्रेड फेयर अथारिटी आफ इण्डिया ने मनीला, फिलीपीन्स में एक अन्य भारतीय प्रदर्शनी आयोजित की तथा 20 विदेशी मेलों में भाग लिया ।

(ख) इन मेलों पर 8.73 करोड़ रु खर्च हुए । इन मेलों में भागीदारों द्वारा बुक किए गए कारोबार के रूप में देश के लिए 275.76 करोड़ रु की विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई ।

(ग) टी०एफ०ए०आई० का फिलहाल विचार है कि चालू वित्तीय वर्ष (अप्रैल 91 से मार्च 92) के दौरान दो अन्य भारतीय प्रदर्शनियां आयोजित की जाए तथा विदेशों में 40 मेलों/प्रदर्शनियों में भाग लिया जाए ।

Steps to curb inflation

*54. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the steps being taken by Government to curb the increase prices and to check inflation in the country?